



Whale shark

Human Interactions

The whale shark interacts with humans because they need food and water just like us. The whale shark is being killed from chemicals like oil that get spilled in the ocean by ships.

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Ecosystem

An ecosystem is a space where something lives. Whale sharks live in the tropical and warm oceans of the Pacific, Indian, and Atlantic oceans. The whale shark also mostly lives in the sun light zone where schools of fish live.



Characteristics

The whale sharks species name is *Rhincodon typus*. A whale shark is the largest living fish on earth. The whale shark can grow up to 59 feet. Whale sharks also weigh about 15 tons. Whale sharks have no teeth and have very large mouths that can stretch up to about 10 feet wide. Also the whale shark can live up to about 70 years.

Adaptations

Whale sharks eat mostly small schools of fish and plankton, and they don't eat humans. The whale shark lives mostly in the sunlight zone, but it doesn't go above water. The whale shark has no teeth and sucks in the fish like hump-back whales. The whale shark also has bright dots on its back that glow in the dark and that helps because it helps it see better in the dark.

